

Tasking Memorandum No. 00-227

Memorandum For District Commanders

Subject: Reliance on Second Party Quality System Approval

Date:

Suspense Date: June 15, 2000

Target Audience: District Commanders

Requirement(s):

- One of the experiments under Investment Goal #3 (Develop alternative methods of assuring quality) addresses reliance on second party quality system audits. DoD intends to align its acceptance practices with those established by industry.
- DCMA is in the process of acquiring full access to the data provided by the Coordinating Agency for Supplier Evaluation (CASE) and the National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program (NADCAP). DCMA is committed to making full use of second party quality system audits and process certification at the prime and subtier level. By becoming members of CASE and NADCAP, DCMA will have direct access to their databases. These databases should be used (where applicable) when assessing contractor process risks and developing Risk Handling Plans; One Book, chapter 4.4, Supplier Quality Assurance (Selecting Surveillance Methods). To accomplish this effort expeditiously and effectively, DCMA will provide training in the use and application of said data, including how it is useful implementing the One Book chapter on Supplier Quality Assurance.
- The East and West Districts are required to identify potential test sites by June 15, 2000; send a questionnaire (see Attachment 1, Excel spreadsheet) to the CAOs to obtain preliminary information by June 30, 2000; select 3 test sites by July 14, 2000, and identify the local representatives to conduct the test on the use of CASE and NADCAP data by July 21, 2000, (See attachment 2, Test Plan). The District POCs will be required to assist in development of detailed procedures and training module for the field test. The test will be conducted for a period of 12 months.

Test sites will report every 3 Months on the following:

- (1) Number of QSEs performed.
- (2) Number of QSEs not performed as the result of using CASE data.
- (3) Number of risk monitoring activities adjusted.
- (4) Number of risk monitoring activities adjusted as the result of using CASE data.
- (5) Number of secondary source inspections requested.
- (6) Number of secondary source inspections not requested by using CASE data.
- (7) Number of Welding/NDT/Heat Treatment processes considered key processes.
- (8) Number of Welding/NDT/Heat Treatment key processes were NADCAP data warranted a lower risk rating in process risk assessments.
- (9) Number of Welding/NDT/Heat Treatment key processes were NADCAP data was a not factor in process risk assessments (little impact on risk rating).
- (10) Number of Welding/NDT/Heat Treatment key processes were NADCAP data warranted new or increased delegation in process risk assessments.
- (11) Perceived value of using NADCAP/CASE data (narrative).
- (12) Comments/recommendations.

- Please provide the names of test sites points of contact by July 21, 2000, to Mr. Peter Angiola, who is the DCMA HQ action officer. A training session for all POCs will be scheduled by end of July 2000.

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